

LISTING OF CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all previous listings and versions of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-12 (Canceled).

Claim 13 (Currently Amended) A method of creating a plurality of recloseable bags from a web of material, comprising:

providing ~~said~~ a web of material to define bags including a fastener attached to said web, said fastener allowing said bags to be recloseable and including first and second interlocking members;

while said first and second interlocked members remain interlocked, cutting said fastener with a first laser at spaced locations corresponding to ~~the~~ ends of said plurality of recloseable bags; and

cutting said web of material with a second laser at locations adjacent to said spaced locations to form said plurality of recloseable bags, said first laser for cutting said fastener being different from said second laser for cutting said web.

Claims 14-16 (Canceled).

Claim 17 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein ~~said step of cutting of~~ said web includes ~~the step of~~ simultaneously sealing said web.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, further including moving said web along a rotatable drum during said ~~step of~~ cutting of said web.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein said ~~step of~~ cutting of said web includes translating a laser beam from said second laser.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein said ~~step of~~ translating is performed within said rotatable drum.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein said ~~step of~~ cutting of said fastener includes cutting said fastener ~~with a laser~~ while said web is on said rotatable drum.

Claim 22 (Original) The method of claim 18, further including holding said web against said rotatable drum.

Claim 23 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 22, wherein said ~~step of~~ holding includes suctioning said web against said rotatable drum.

Claim 24 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein at least one of the first and second said lasers is located outside of an interior of said drum and a laser beam from said at least one laser projects inwardly into said interior and then radially outward from said interior of said drum.

Claim 25-59 (Canceled).

Claim 60 (Currently Amended) A method of creating end terminations on a two-part fastener attached to a web of material for producing a plurality of bags, comprising:

holding said a first web of material relative to an outer surface of a first rotatable drum with a said two-part interlocking fastener positioned at a known location; and fusing both parts of said two-part fastener together with a first laser beam while said two-part interlocking fastener remains interlocked; and
holding a second web of material against an outer surface of a second rotatable drum and fusing both parts of a two-part fastener of said second web of material together with a second laser beam, said first laser beam of said first drum and said second laser beam of said second drum being derived from a single laser.

Claim 61 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 60, wherein said ~~step of~~ holding includes suctioning at least one of said first and second webs of material against said outer surface of the first or second drum.

Claim 62 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 60, wherein said ~~step of~~ fusing includes projecting at least one of said laser ~~beams~~ beam from an interior of at least one of said rotatable ~~drums~~ drum.

Claim 63 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 62, wherein said ~~step of~~ projecting includes guiding said at least one laser beam through a slot in at least one of said rotatable ~~drums~~ drum.

Claim 64 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 60, wherein each of said fasteners ~~fastener~~ includes an end termination component at spaced locations along said each fastener, said ~~step of~~ fusing includes fusing said material from each of said end termination ~~terminations~~ components to both parts of said ~~two-part~~ each fastener.

Claim 65 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 60, wherein said ~~step of~~ fusing includes a step of guiding at least one of said laser beams ~~beam~~ with a galvanometer-driven optic, or mirror.

Claim 66 (Canceled).

Claim 67 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 60, wherein said laser beams ~~beam is~~ are from a CO₂ laser.

Claim 68 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 60, wherein said holding includes ~~included~~ registering at least one of said two-part fasteners ~~fastener~~ within a circumferential groove in said first or second drum.

Claim 69 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 60, further including cutting at least one of said fasteners ~~fastener~~ at said end terminations ~~termination~~.

Claims 70-132 (Canceled).

Claim 133 (Currently Amended) A method of creating a plurality of recloseable bags from a web of material, comprising:

providing said a web of material to define bags including a fastener attached to said web,

said fastener allowing said bags to be recloseable;

cutting said fastener with a first laser at spaced locations corresponding to ~~the~~ ends of

said plurality of recloseable bags, said cutting said fastener with said first laser

including simultaneously sealing said fastener; and

cutting said web of material with a second laser at locations adjacent to said spaced

locations to form said plurality of recloseable bags, said second laser being

different from said first laser.

Claim 134 (Currently Amended) A method of creating end terminations on a two-part fastener attached to a web of material for producing a plurality of bags, comprising:

holding said a web of material relative to an outer surface of a first rotatable drum

with said ~~a~~ two-part fastener positioned at a known location;

fusing both parts of said two-part fastener together with a first laser beam; and

holding a second web of material against a second drum and fusing a two-part

fastener ~~on~~ of said second web of material with a second laser beam, said

second laser beam for said second drum and said first laser beam of said
first drum being derived from ~~the same~~ a single laser.